PITCH IN – CLEAN UP COMMITTEE MINUTES APRIL 5, 2011

PRESENT:

Kim Holaway Tim Rasmussen
Becky Pacey Deryl Jevons
Debbie Rogers Bruce Ray
Lou Carnright Joe Sitarzewski

Tim welcomed everyone and conducted the meeting.

Becky reported that she has tried to invite new members. Deanne Pyper is working at the animal shelter thrift store and might not be able to attend the meeting.

Tim reported on the discussion he had with the owners of the Dairy Queen. He explained to Mr. Belshe the town's liability with the tree being on the right-of-way and possible traffic hazard. Mr. Belshe indicated that he was still opposed to cutting the tree down but would not try to stop the Town from cutting it down. Debbie Rogers stated that she was in opposition to cutting any tree down but favors the decision to cut down the tree making a bench or something useful and planting a new tree in its place for future shade for the business. It is in agreement between all present that the Town's liability and possible safety and traffic hazard is the sole reason to cut down the tree. Deryl explained that depending on the condition of the tree stump a bench that would not be a safety issue could be constructed. It was suggested that another tree be planted. It was decided that this might create problems in the future since there is not enough room. Kim suggested Bill Greenwood and Deryl go with a local tree-trimming contractor to check which trees need trimming and which need to be cut down.

Becky reported she is ready to order trees for the tree grant. She explained the types of trees, the cost, and their locations. There was a discussion on the budget for trees. It was decided to purchase the five-gallon size because of cost and the root system would develop faster. Kim suggested if there is any money left more trees could be purchased. Deryl reminded the committee that the cost for the tree trimming might be more than what has been budgeted.

Deryl asked what was the time frame for planting the trees and flowers. Becky said she would meet with Steve Christensen, Public Works Director, to try to set up a schedule. Becky suggested marking the ground with paint to indicated tree location. Deryl suggested setting out trees at planting sites on day of planting. Becky reported that the cost of pvc pipe, soil and mulch be included in tree planting budget. The pvc pipe will also need to be drilled and cut. Joe suggested asking Navopache Electric to donated the use of their augur for planting.

Kim suggested having a brick paver inscribed with the name of any business that makes a donation to the park grant.

Tim reported on the proposed budget for this committee for 2011-2012. Kim suggested asking for \$200.00 more to possibly plant some shrubs on the north end of town by the title company.

Tim reported that Bill Greenwood has enough material for 15-20 planters. Public Works will need to have the planters constructed by May 1st. Joe will bring some hardware he has to public works.

Becky displayed her idea for the welcome sign. She and Tim will be putting up the decorations. Debbie suggested planting bulbs at the welcome sign.

Lou reported that four businesses and nineteen residents have agreed to participate in the Main Street Beautification Program. One resident had opted not to participate this year.

Kim reported that she has received some volunteer forms, but needs an up to date list for her reports.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 3 rd at 4:15 P.M	A. at town hall council chambers
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Tim Rasmussen	